GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEME FOR AGRICULTURAL LABOURERS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the funds have since been provided by the Union Government to the various States particularly Maharashtra for the period 2001-02 under Agricultural Labour Social Security Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the toral number of persons benefited under this scheme in various States; and

(d) the various sub-schemes being run under Agricultural Labour Social Security Scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) to (d): The Government has launched a social security scheme, namely, Krishi Shramik Samajik Suraksha Yojana-2001 for agricultural labour through the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) in 50 selected districts and intends to cover 10 lakh agricultural workers over a period of three years. The scheme has provision of life-cum-accident insurance, money back, pension and superannuation benefits. The worker is required to pay Re.1/- per day or Rs.365/- per year and the contribution of the Central Governm,ent is Rs.2/- per day or Rs.730/- per year per beneficiary. Under the scheme, funds are not released to the State Governments as the Central share has been automatically credited to LIC during the year 2001-02 from the Social Security Fund on the basis of the workers covered and premium deposited with the LIC. As per reports received from the LIC, about 1.01 lakh workers have been covered under the scheme from various states and Rs.2.11 crore collected as premium upto 31st March 2002. State-wise details are annexed.